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**Hirschberg's Attack.**  
Mr. Hirschberg led the fight against concurrence, protesting that it was not his desire to kill the ordinance, but that by standing firm the lower branch could force the Board of Aldermen to come to its views and include the Fire, Police and Health Departments. He was convinced that had the vote been directly put the Board would have concurred in the ordinance without amending it. The effort to amend it there, he characterized as a juggling performance and charged that since the Council had come to order there had been in progress an active campaign of the politicians in the chamber, telling members that were the Police Department put in the ordinance would be closed, that no more "5-cent limit" would be allowed. Richmond had the best governed city in the United States, he asserted, in reference to control of the liquor traffic, its regulations and their enforcement being models for other cities and the argument being used, he thought, was without merit. The whole proposition, he asserted, was that the Police Department had too much power to be controlled by the Council; that if the matter related to the Fire and Health Departments alone, no forward would have been made. He considered it an insult to the intelligence of the voters of Richmond to say that they were not competent to select five good men to administer this portion of their government in an economical and efficient manner.

"The question has narrowed down," he concluded, "to whether this body controls the Police Department or the Police Department controls it. To-day some policemen on the force have been out campaigning against having that department under this board."

Called by Lynch.  
Mr. Hirschberg read the names of the twenty-one members before voting for the substitute and suggested that if any had changed their minds they "must have been properly approached."

"What do you mean by that?" demanded Mr. Lynch.

"I mean when a man is approached by a politician and asked to do something against his will—that's what I mean by properly approached."

Chairman H. B. Pollard, Jr., of the Committee on Finance, vice-president of the body, and recognized as one of its ablest members, who before voting for the Hirschberg substitute to include the three departments now under special boards, said:  
"I haven't opened my mouth before in public about this matter. I have come to a crisis to-night, and I believe the wise thing to do is to concur in the amendments. This report does not suit me altogether, but I am not willing to endanger this reform any longer, and I am going to vote for concurrence. All legislation is more or less a matter of compromise. I have never before seen the Council so evenly divided on any matter. I am willing to give and take when I cannot get all I want. I hope the time will come when those three departments can be placed under the one head. We have an excellent government in the city of Richmond, but a friend of mine who once sat by me during an exceptionally disorderly meeting of the Council, remarked: 'God certainly takes care of Richmond!' There is no need of anything, and I am sure this plan will work a great benefit. The work is too great for the Council committees to undertake any longer."

Mr. Umlauf earnestly supported Mr. Hirschberg, urging the body not to amend the ordinance and passed the amendments by only thirteen votes, he stated—the change of one man would have insured concurrence there, and he believed that if sent back the Board would take the entire proposition as laid down by Mr. Hirschberg. He believed it would make for conflict of authority to continue three appointed boards of citizens when the five commissioners were to be voted for and when it was of the utmost importance

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